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Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows :

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 49 to read as follows:

49. (Amended) The method according to claim 45, further including:  
issuing as voids at least some of the addresses not requiring loading when the  
absolute coordinates of the predictor block are aligned.

REMARKS

Claim 49 has been amended to correct a typographical error. It now depends from  
claim 45 rather than from claim 14. Please enter this amendment prior to examination of the  
application.

Respectfully submitted,

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